

CULTURED "GHOST" HAUNTS MID. SCHOOL

FREDERICK, Md., May 3.—"Tam-o'-Shanter," who was haunted by ghosts: "Ichabod Crane," that frenzied rider who clattered throughout the night: "The White Lady," and all of those well-known figures of "ghostology" are being paid into insignificance in Frederick county by a very ghostlike apparition which has paralyzed young folk with fright. Continental School, a tiny country school north of Woodsboro, inconspicuous and never particularly famous for anything, has the distinction of being in the very heart of the ghost-ridden section of Frederick county. This "ghost" has intellectual tastes, and visits, once as often as three times in a day, this school. Clad in a suit of white, black stockings, shod in shoes of white, and wearing a black silk hat, this "ghost" is as picturesque as any that ever performed on the printed pages of literature and to the school children who shun the schoolhouse as if it were a pesthouse.

"Ghost" Plays Violin. Authenticated reports have been received of a visitation by this "ghost" to the Continental Schoolhouse. This said that this figure appeared at the school one day, noon entered, took possession, and proceeded to give a violin solo, relieved for variety's sake by wailing and weeping. The origin of the violin, the presence of which in the building was not suspected until its doleful tones were heard, is not known. This presumed "ghost" accommodatedly brought it along. Two theories are advanced concerning this ghost. Sheriff Charles H. Klipp has a sneaking suspicion that the role is being enacted by Clinton Baugher, insane, who nearly a month ago escaped from the Maryland Insane Asylum at Springfield. Baugher was sent to the State asylum only after he had threatened the life of Deputy Sheriff John Dutrow; after he had been locked in a cell in Montevue Hospital, and after he had escaped from local inmates; and after he had escaped from the Springfield Insane Asylum, he vanished, and he has not been trapped since. It is presumed that he returned to his home in the immediate neighborhood of Continental school house, but none has ever seen him.

Honest-to-Goodness Ghost. The other theory is advanced by the credulous. Those who believe in fairies, pots of gold, and rainbows, end, such like, affirm that it is an honest-to-goodness "ghost." So officials in this county have the unique sensation of starting on a man and ghost hunt. The capture of the first may mean the solution of the second. Of this the officers are sanguine, but the countryside is sure that long after Clinton Baugher is caught this ghost will continue to appear.

MODERN FAUST DIES, AGED 104

ST. PAUL, May 5.—St. Paul's modern Faust is dead. Edwin E. Fisher, 104, who gained fame four years ago by declaring he made a pact with the devil when a child that he should live a hundred years by consigning himself to hades after death, will be buried today.

The day before April 12, 1915, he made what he thought was his last adieu and prepared for the end scheduled at midnight. He continued at his trade as cabinetmaker for two years, however, and retired because of ill-health.

A. D. RUSHER ARRESTED FOR "RUSHING" BOOZE

HAGERSTOWN, Md., May 5.—A. D. Rusher, nineteen years old, of Petersburg, was arrested here on a charge of reckless driving. In Rusher's automobile was found 204 pints of whiskey, which Rusher claims he purchased in Baltimore to be sold in dry Virginia. The young man said that he paid \$250 for the whiskey, which he planned to sell for about \$1,000.

As Maryland is not a bone-dry State the only charge that could be pressed against him was reckless driving, and a fine of \$37 was imposed. When the fine is paid the liquor will be returned to Rusher, who says he will take it back to Baltimore. To take it into a bone-dry State would subject him to a heavy fine and imprisonment.



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LOST LOVE WORTH \$50,000 IS VERDICT

NEW YORK, May 5.—Fifty thousand dollars is the price Mrs. Lillian Mabel Brown must pay for winning the love of Russell W. Smith from his wife, Elizabeth Smith. A jury before Supreme Court Justice Cohan has awarded Mrs. Smith this sum at the trial of her action for alienation of her husband's affections.

D. C. CLUBWOMEN HOLD CONVENTION THIS WEEK

The annual convention of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs will be held tomorrow and Wednesday at the Eighth Street Temple. Twenty-nine affiliated clubs will present resumes of their work during the past year.

The convention will be opened for business at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, and at the afternoon meeting Earl Dudding, president of the Federation, will speak.

Red Cross and child welfare activities will be reported during the Wednesday session, and services for members who died during the year will be held.

Mrs. Minna Van Winkle, head of the policewomen of the city, will talk on the needs of policewomen in the District. Miss Lucy Minnegerode, superintendent of Public Health nurses, will speak.

Nominations for new officers will be made Tuesday and the elections held Wednesday.

"What is it that we hold most dear? Our own liberty and prosperity." (Lincoln.) By W. S. S.

Only Stray Dog Myself, Says Dog Killer, and Ends Life With Poison

NEWARK, May 5.—Frank McAndrew, fifty-one years old, employed at the city dog pond on the Newark meadows to kill stray dogs, committed suicide by taking some of the poison used on the dogs. He had been working at the pond for several years. No one knows his history.

He walked into the home of John Wisniewski, with whom he was slightly acquainted, asked for a drink and said:

"I'm tired of living; I'm only a stray dog myself."

He dropped a quantity of poison into the glass of water offered him and drank it before Wisniewski knew what he intended doing. He died in a few minutes.

16,811 TOWNS AID CHILDREN'S SURVEY

Sixteen thousand eight hundred and eleven cities, towns, and villages in the United States have taken part in the weighing and measuring tests of children's year, according to figures made public by the children's bureau of the Department of Labor, which, with the local child welfare committees of the Council of National Defense, put across the children's year program.

To this total should be added many records sent in to the bureau from places not on the map except as rural free delivery routes.

The 1261 cities and towns participated in the test—more than in any other State. In actual number of individual records turned in, Wisconsin leads, although a smaller number of towns there—1,065—have sent in records.

Twelve hundred and twelve Iowa communities gave their babies and young children a chance to tip the scales and compare themselves with the national yardsticks, while Ohio ranks fourth with 944 celebrations, and Missouri fifth with 704.

Even far-off Hawaii sent reports from three different towns—Honolulu, Kakaia, and Takaia.

In these places where the weighing and measuring is done, follow-up work is now engaging the attention of the local committee members, who hope that between now and the first of July—for three months' grace was allowed them after the official end of the children's year in April—many of the children's year undertakings for children will be under way, which will long outlive children's year.

The following is a list of the States with the number of towns in each which have sent records to the Children's Bureau thus far: Alabama, 185; Arizona, 39; Arkansas, 224; California, 594; Colorado, 391; Connecticut, 281; Delaware, 54; Florida, 165; Georgia, 241; Hawaii, 3; Idaho, 227; Illinois, 1,261; Indiana, 786; Iowa, 1,212; Kansas, 224; Kentucky, 333; Louisiana, 619; Maine, 84; Maryland, 491; Massachusetts, 288; Michigan, 497; Minnesota, 206; Mississippi, 188; Missouri, 704; Montana, 161; Nebraska, 645; Nevada, 50; New Hampshire, 193; New Jersey, 264; New Mexico, 18; New York, 562; North Carolina, 97; North Dakota, 699; Ohio, 944; Oklahoma, 298; Oregon, 288; Pennsylvania, 49; Rhode Island, 156; South Carolina, 191; South Dakota, 343; Tennessee, 199; Texas, 157; Utah, 211; Vermont, 99; Virginia, 74; Washington, 281; West Virginia, 29; Wisconsin, 1,065; Wyoming, 110.

AUSTRIAN PEACE ENVOYS INVITED TO COME MAY 12

BRISLE, May 5.—A dispatch from Vienna today reported the allies had invited the Austrian peace delegates to come to St. Germain on May 12.

SCHOOL CHILDREN HOLD SING FOR MORE THAN THIRTEEN MONTHS

After a training in chorus singing for more than thirteen months, the children from District schools played a prominent part at the community singing held in the Central High School auditorium yesterday afternoon. The program began with an organ recital by Miss Ethel R. Athey, organist of the Hamline Methodist Church, and was followed by the orchestra of the Washington College of Music. The community singing was under the direction of Prof. Peter Dykema, of the War Camp Community Service.

PASTOR URGES ROPE AND GUN FOR 'PEDS'

The end of a rope or the business end of a gun was suggested as the best means of eradicating bolshevism in this country by the Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery in his sermon on "The Riot of the Red Flag," at Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church last night.

He walked out at the end of a rope or with a gun," said the speaker. "The last week marks an epoch in lawlessness and rebellion without precedent in our country. In past history there never has been such a concerted attempt to terrorize public officials and defy law. The way and the works of the culprits mark them as villains of a foul pestilence, breathing contamination and death."

Dr. Montgomery suggested that the evil should be wiped out in every American city by radical and effective means.

The Rev. Dr. James I. Gordon, of the First Congregational Church, in his Victory bond meeting sermon entitled "Bonds or Bombs," gave seven good reasons for the Victory loan.

He said that the "spirit of cooperation put the boys across the ocean and that same American spirit will put over the Victory loan."

J. Driscoll, president of the Midcity Citizens' Association at the invitation of Dr. Gordon, gave a short business talk on the loan, and members of his committee passed subscription blanks among the congregation, realizing \$7,000. Mrs. Newton Baker, wife of the Secretary of War, sang.

Lack Prayer at Peace Parley.

"That is the best internationalism which is the best nationalism," said the Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe, of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in his sermon last night.

"Human brotherhood will not be advanced by destroying America," he said. "We must emphasize America by an abiding non-surrender of nationality." The minister deplored that there had been not a word of prayer at the first meeting when the league was discussed, the day being a Sunday.

The Rev. Dr. John Robertson, of Glasgow, Scotland, gave a vivid picture of some of his experiences at the fighting front in his sermon at the First Baptist Church last night. In one of the battles he lost 413 out of 500 men he was commanding. He was in the thick of the conflict on the western front during much of the war.

Capt. Gordon Smith, member of the military mission of Serbia, a well-known writer and traveler, said at the Eighth Street Temple yesterday, that if Italy should attempt to take possession of Fiume, the Jugo-Slavs would declare war. "They prefer to die honorably rather than live in shame. The Jugo-Slavs do not intend to relinquish Fiume."

Make Plea for Employment.

Responding to a proclamation of President Wilson designated yesterday as "Employment Sunday," pastors of this city's churches appealed to their congregations not to let the soldier go begging for work.

Mrs. James F. Mack, of St. Paul's Church, was especially severe in condemnation of that employer, who after promising to hold a soldier's position for him at the time of his entrance into the service, now at return fails to make good his promise.

The Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church yesterday celebrated its one hundredth anniversary. Dr. Howard A. Kelly, of Baltimore, delivering the principal address. At the close of the service, the Rev. Dr. John Brittain Clark, pastor of the church, held a reception for the new members of the class.

EASBY-SMITH'S PROMOTION WAS TO FILL A VACANCY

The following letter was sent to The Times today by Col. James S. Easby-Smith, of the War Department:

"In your issue of May 2, you print an article under the caption, 'Colonel Easby-Smith's Fate Not High Rank.' The article contains the following statement: 'Lieutenant Colonel Morgan entered the department as a lieutenant colonel shortly after the declaration of war.' . . . His friends allege that his outspoken views against the system and his support of Colonel Ansell were the direct cause of his being kept at his present grade, while Col. James S. Easby-Smith (sic) and Colonel Rand were promoted over him."

"So far as this statement refers to me, it is deliberately false. I was promoted to the grade of colonel on July 19, 1918, to fill a vacancy then existing in the office of the provost marshal general, where I was deputy and Lieutenant Colonel Morgan was not."

REPORT HUNGARIAN SOVIET SURRENDERS

PARIS, May 5.—The Matin declared today it had received confirmation that the Hungarian soviet government had capitulated.

The latest direct word from Budapest, contained in a United Press dispatch filed Saturday noon, reported the Rumanians had crossed the Tisza river, and were within fifty miles of the capital.

President Is Willing That Irish Should Sit At Paris Peace Table

DUBLIN, May 5.—Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the commission of Irish-American delegates to Paris, is said to have told Prof. de Valera, head of the Sinn Féin government, that President Wilson could not in his official capacity introduce Ireland's case before the peace conference. This Mr. Wilson is said to have told Walsh himself.

The President added, however, that he saw no reason why the Irish delegates chosen by the Irish people should not be granted admittance to the peace conference.

EX-KAISER ASKS TO RETURN TO HOME

BERNE, May 5.—According to German newspapers, the former Kaiser has asked the government for permission to return to Germany and live on his estates near Kadenen.

TUMULTY PARTY TODAY.

Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary, today received many congratulations on the occasion of his fortieth birthday anniversary.

D. C. VETERANS WILL GO TO CONVENTION

Tentative plans for the establishment of a permanent national organization of Veterans of the World War will be laid and discussed at the first national convention of the various posts already formed in many States, to meet in St. Louis, Mo., May 8, 9, and 10. Washington members of General Pershing Post No. 1, commanded by Col. E. Lester Jones, will leave tomorrow. Colonel Jones left yesterday, in order to attend the meeting of the executive committee, which will be called tomorrow.

The St. Louis caucus will be attended by officers and enlisted men of the army, navy and marine corps, who have seen service on both sides of the ocean.

The delegates from Washington, in which was the first city to organize, are: Col. E. Lester Jones, U. S. A., commander; Lieutenant Commander Lewis P. Clephane, U. S. N., senior vice commander; Capt. Howard M. Peter, U. S. M. C., junior vice commander; Lieut. Howard S. Fish, U. S. N., adjutant; Col. Henry D. Lindsley, U. S. A.; Private J. Bentley Mulford, U. S. A., Chief; Thomas R. P. Knott, U. S. N.; Capt. Charles E. Johnston, U. S. C. G.; Major Henry Leonard, U. S. M. C.; Sergt. William G. Glenn, U. S. A.; Private L. Christensen, U. S. A.; Sergt. John Lewis Smith, U. S. A.; Sergt. Major Needham C. Turnage, U. S. A.; Sergt. Frank A. Connolly, U. S. A., and Capt. Donald MacGregor, U. S. A.

The present national committee, which was formed as a step toward a national organization, includes Lieut. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, chairman; Col. Bennett Clark, Missouri, vice chairman; and Lieut. Col. Eric Fisher Wood, Pennsylvania, secretary.

The Pershing posts at present 1,200 members, nearly one third of whom wear wound stripes. It has a charter enrollment of 1,161 men. The handsome engrossment of the resolutions of the post were forwarded for General Pershing, by special courier, a few days ago.

SCOUTS SELL \$175,000 BONDS.

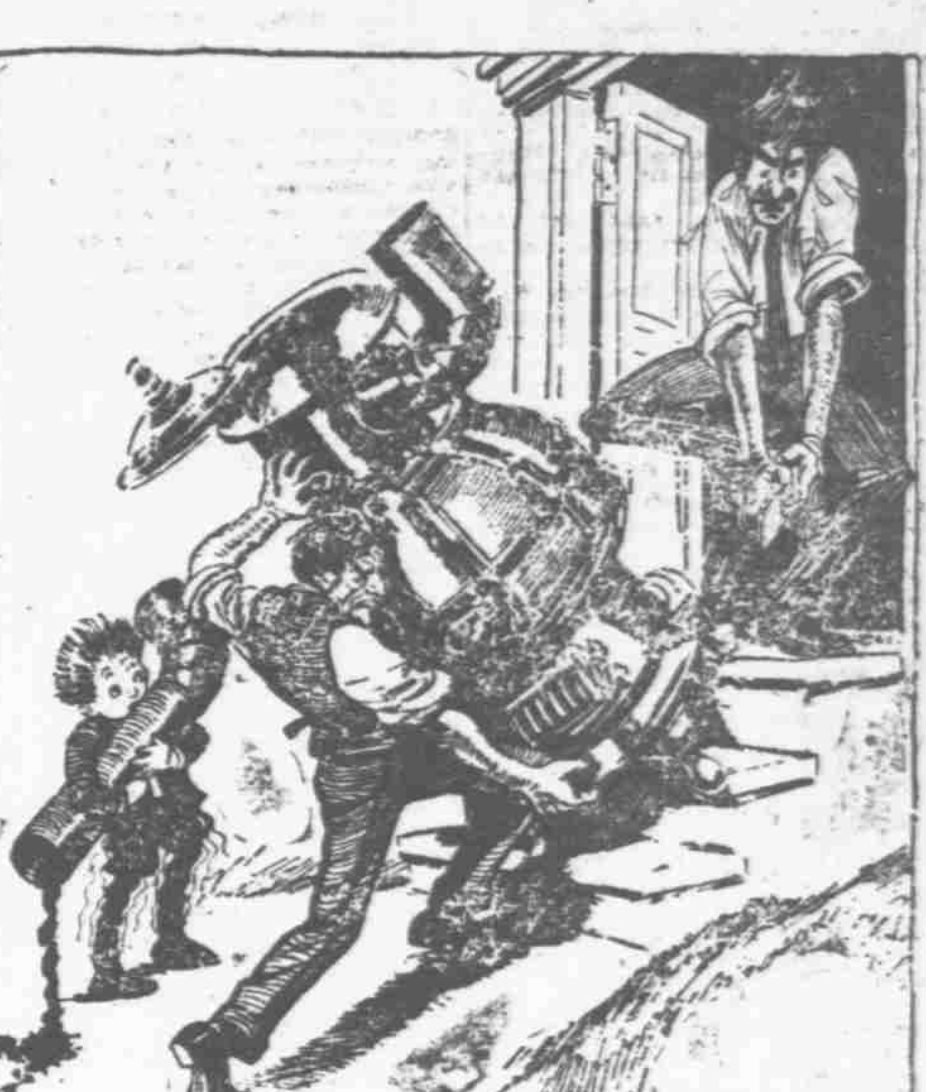
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